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WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH EVENTS, SO IT'S A WAY TO SHAKE UP THE NORMALLY PEACEFUL DAYS.
IT'S NOT LIKE IT'S A SCHOOL EVENT.
THAT'S TRUE...
OUR SCHOOL DOESN'T HAVE A CULTURAL FESTIVAL, AFTER ALL.
YEAH, WE DO IT EVERY YEAR AT THIS TIME.
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ALL RIGHT! THEN LET'S GET THE MOOD GOING WITH GHOST STORIES FIRST AND THEN HEAD OUT.
OKAY, ANYTHING OCCULT IS PRETTY INTERESTING.
WE SPEND OUR DAYS CALMY STUDYING TOGETHER AS FRIENDS.
HMM...
Yeah.
Natsume and I are setting things up.
SO DO YOU WANT TO JOIN IN TOO, KAIDOU?

AT A SCHOOL AMONG THE MOUNTAINS WITH FEW PLEASURES, AN OCCASIONAL BREATHER IS NECESSARY.

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CHERISHING THIS MOMENT OF BEING ABLE TO SPEND TIME WITH FRIENDS.
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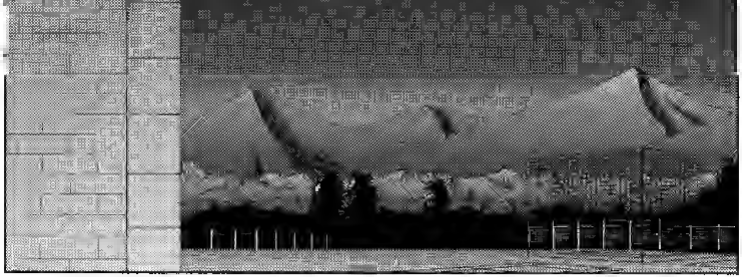
...AND SO A, WHO WANTED TO ESCAPE THIS SCHOOL, WAS LEFT WANDERING THE MOUNTAINS AND DIED...
...IS THAT THE END?
YEAH.
HMMM...
YOUR STORY WAS LONG, BUT IT'S NOT REALLY THAT SCARY WHEN YOU TELL IT.
And you stumbled a lot.
NO NO NO! IT WAS REALLY SCARY!
THEN LAST UP IS NATSUME.
OKAY.
THEN I'LL LEAVE IT SHORT AND SIMPLE.
IT'S A FAMOUS STORY SO YOU'VE PROBABLY HEARD IT BEFORE. BUT ITS FOCUS IS ON ITS INSTANT EFFECT.
WHEN YOU'RE WASHING YOUR HEAD IN THE BATH, YOU'VE FELT LIKE THERE'S SOMEONE WATCHING YOU FROM BEHIND, RIGHT?
BUT WHEN YOU TURN AROUND, THERE'S NO ONE THERE, RIGHT?
That story's too common!
WHAT? THAT'S NOT SCARY AT ALL!
Ahaha!

GYAAAA!!
I guess it was my imagination.
BUT THAT'S BECAUSE THAT GAZE IS COMING FROM THE CEILING.
ALL RIGHT, THAT'S THE END OF MY STORY.
WHAT DID YOU THINK? EVEN IF IT WAS ORDINARY, IT WAS A SHORT SCARY STORY THAT HAS A LASTING EFFECT FOR EVERY DAY.
Uh huh, heh
I HATE HOW YOU THINK UP USELESS THINGS ON THE SPOT!
Yazaki-san is upset!?
LET'S GO DO THE TEST OF COURAGE ALREADY.
Hahaha!
YEAH.



A CHECKPOINT IS SET UP IN THE HILLS BEHIND THE SCHOOL.
CHECK POINT!
START
GOAL
PICK UP ONE OF THESE PIECES OF PAPER AND BRING IT BACK.
THE MOUNTAIN TRAIL IS THE COURSE.
Bring back the one for your team
All right.
Okay.

THE GROUND HAS SOFTENED IN PLACES FROM THE RECENT RAIN, SO BE CAREFUL OF THAT.
Okay
Okay

AS FOR THE PAIRINGS, IT'S OKAY FOR ANYONE GOING OUT TO GO TOGETHER, SO RAISE YOUR HANDS.
Ehh!? What!? Non- of you are going out? I know you are-
ANYONE LEFT CAN DRAW LOTS.
Wahaha!
All right!

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AHA!
WOW.
See ya later!!
Let's get back soon!
All right! let's go!
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THIS SCHOOL REALLY IS OUT IN THE MOUNTAINS.
YEAH.
I WAS TAKEN HERE BLINDFOLDED, SO I DIDN'T KNOW THE EXTENT OF THE MOUNTAINS OR THE LOCATION, BUT I UNDERSTAND IT EVEN LESS WHEN ACTUALLY WALKING AROUND.
YEAH.
WITH IT BEING THIS BIG, IT WOULDN'T BE ODD FOR THERE TO BE SOMETHING LIVING AROUND HERE.
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MY IMAGINATION WOULD START TO RUN WILD IF THERE WAS AN ABANDONDED BUILDING OUT IN THE MOUNTAINS... BUT I GUESS NO ONE WOULD BE LIVING OUT HERE
I'M SCARED OF THERE BEING PEOPLE, BUT I GUESS TIMES LIKE THIS WOULD CALL FOR THERE BEING MOUNTAIN GODS AND DEMONS, TOO.

KA-KAIDOU-KUN.
WHAT?
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BUT I WONDER WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IN OUR CASE.
MOUTAIN GODS ARE FEMALE, SO I'VE HEARD STORIES ABOUT THEM GETTING MAD AT GIRLS WHO GO INTO A MOUNTAINOUS AREA AND CURSING THEM,

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HUH ...!?
WHY ARE YOU CASUALLY TALKING ABOUT GHOST STORIES...!?
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YOU'RE SOMEONE WHO CAN CALMLY DISTINGUISH BETWEEN MONSTERS!
I can't believe this!!
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BECAUSE I THINK OF GHOST STORIES AS ENTERTAINMENT...

UWAA !!
I-I HAVE A WILD IMAGINATION, SO IT'S JUST ON MY MIND!
HMM, I HAD THOUGHT YOU WERE A FLAWLESS AND TOUGH PERSON, BUT I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D BE BAD WITH GHOST STORIES..
STOP IT!!
Uwaaaa!
SO THERE ARE MOUNTAIN DEMONS, AFTER ALL...
THIS IS A SHORT-CUT!
HUH? YAEZAKI-SAN, THAT TRAIL IS...
ENOUGH ALREADY! LET'S HURRY UP!

HUH!?
AH!

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ONLY YAEZAKI AND KAIDOU HAVEN'T MADE IT BACK...
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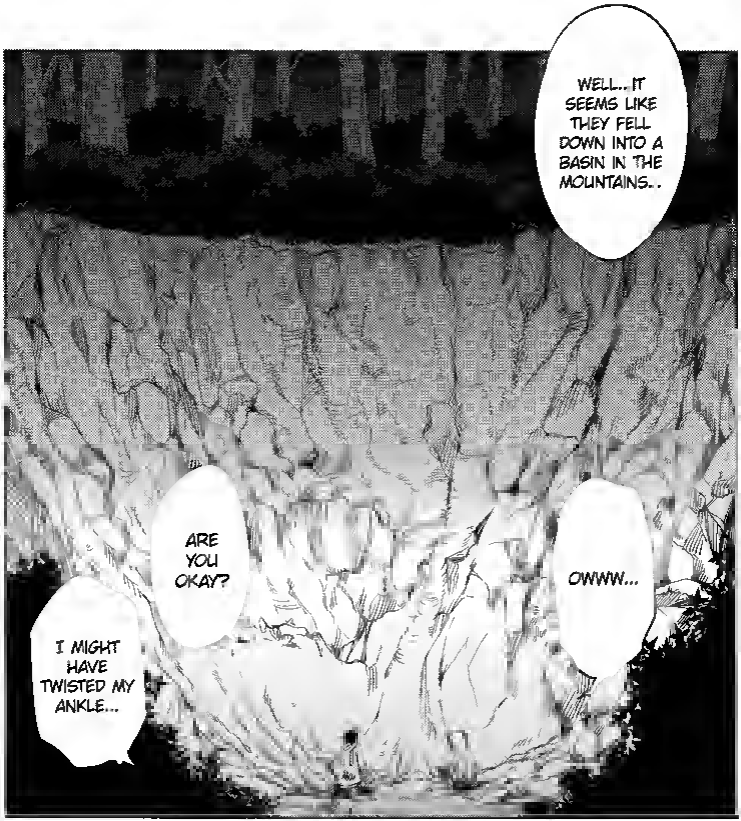
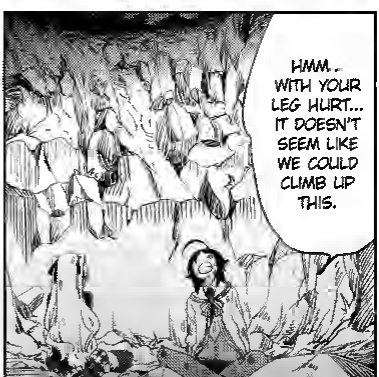
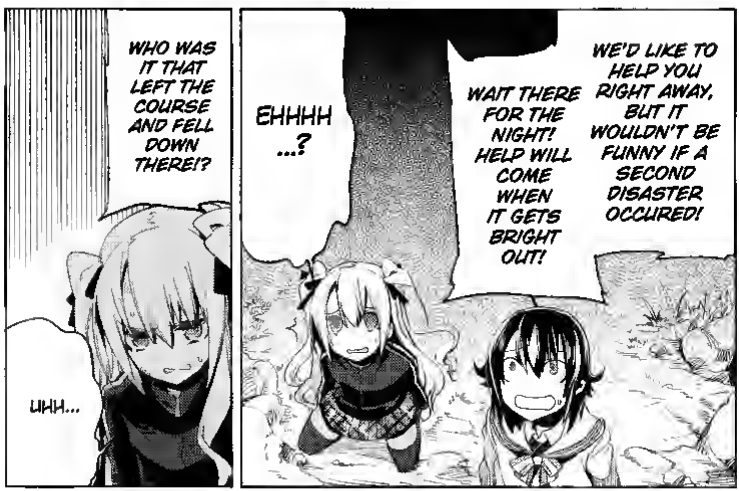
HUH?
Hmm
WHEN WE WENT TO LOOK, THE PAPER FOR THEIR TEAM HAD STILL BEEN LEFT THERE...
I CALLED A TEACHER!
HMM...
SENSEI... WHERE ARE THEY!?


WELL... IT SEEMS LIKE THEY FELL DOWN INTO A BASIN IN THE MOUNTAINS..
OWWW...
ARE YOU OKAY?
I MIGHT HAVE TWISTED MY ANKLE...

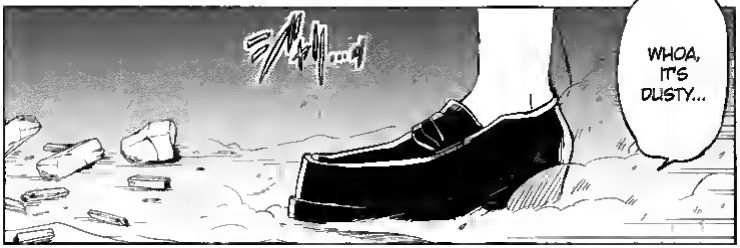
ARE YOU TWO THERE!?

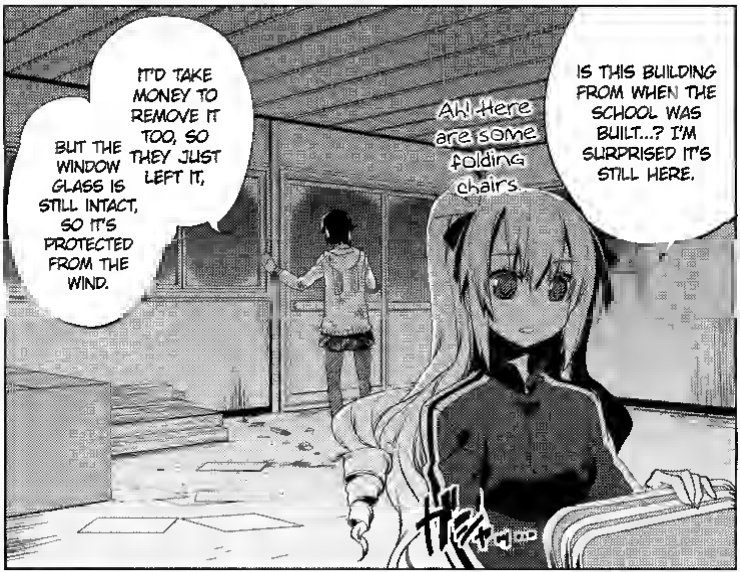

HMM.. WITH YOUR LEG HURT... IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE WE COULD CLIMB UP THIS.

WE'RE HERE!
ARE YOU OKAY?
HE TWISTED HIS ANKLE, BUT WE DON'T HAVE ANY SERIOUS INJURIES!
GREAT!
THEN HERE'S SOME FOOD UNTIL MORNING!
HUH!? UNTIL MORNING !?


WE'D LIKE TO HELP YOU RIGHT AWAY, BUT IT WOULDN'T BE FUNNY IF A SECOND DISASTER OCCURED!
WAIT THERE FOR THE NIGHT! HELP WILL COME WHEN IT GETS BRIGHT OUT!
EHHHH ...?
WHO WAS IT THAT LEFT THE COURSE AND FELL DOWN THERE!?
UHH...

AH! THERE IT IS!
DON'T WORRY. THERE SHOULD BE A PREFABRICATED BUILDING AROUND THERE THAT WAS USED FOR CONSTRUCTION.
OKAY!
WE'LL BE BACK TO-MOR-ROW!
WE KNOW WHERE YOU ARE, SO DON'T LEAVE THAT SPOT!
Eh...? We're staying here for the night?
THANK GOODNESS... AT LEAST WE'RE NOT SLEEPING OUTSIDE.


WHOA, IT'S DUSTY...


IS THIS BUILDING FROM WHEN THE SCHOOL WAS BUILT...? I'M SURPRISED IT'S STILL HERE.
Ah! Here are some folding chairs
IT'D TAKE MONEY TO REMOVE IT TOO, SO THEY JUST LEFT IT,
BUT THE WINDOW GLASS IS STILL INTACT, SO IT'S PROTECTED FROM THE WIND.

BUT HOW DID THEY KNOW WHERE WE WERE?
OUR UNIFORMS.
HUH?

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BOTTOM
EVEN IF WE TAKE OFF THE TOP PORTION, IT'D BE HARD TO TAKE OFF THE BOTTOM PART, RIGHT?
THE METAL FIXTURES ON THE WAIST OF OUR PANTS AND SKIRTS ARE LINKED TO GPS.

I see
IT'S NOT LIKE THEY CAN LET SOMEONE VANISH IN THE MOUNTAINS.
Okay.
All right, let's line up these chairs and make some beds.
THE STUDENTS ARE BEING LEFT IN THEIR PRECIOUS CARE, AFTER ALL.

AHH MAN! STOP THINKING ABOUT IT!!
And so A was left wandering the mountains and died.
VANISH IN THE MOUN-TAINS...

BUT TO BE HONEST, IT WAS INTERESTING.
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I never thought you'd run so recklessly like that.
Gyaaaa!
IT'S OKAY. I WAS BEING INSENSITIVE, TOO.
SORRY FOR GETTING YOU DRAGGED INTO THIS, KAIDOU-KUN ..

THE PERSON I HAD THOUGHT WAS PERFECT AND STRONG TURNED OUT NOT TO BE PERFECT.

Ahaha!
I'M HAPPY ABOUT THAT, TOO.
ERM...
AH!
YOU SPEAK MORE CASUALLY WHEN YOU LET YOUR GUARD DOWN, YAEZAKI-SAN.
Huh?
Hey.
DON'T CALL ME PERFECT! I'M NOT LIKE THAT AT ALL!

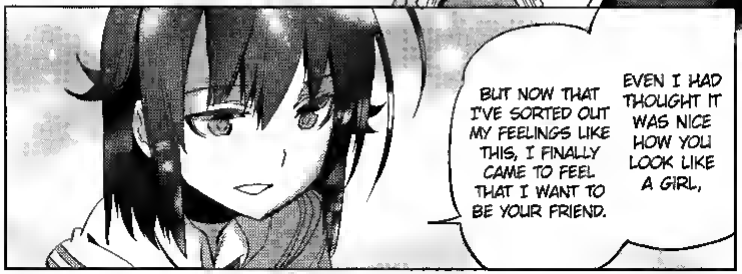
UP UNTIL NOW, WE'VE ONLY TALKED ABOUT STUFF RELATED TO THE COMMITTEE, SO IT'S ALMOST UNBELIEVABLE THAT WE'RE TALKING NORMALLY LIKE THIS.
TO BE HONEST, THERE WERE CHANCES FOR US TO TALK, BUT YOU SEEMED BUSY, SO I HELD BACK.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT.
ALTHOUGH, YOU MIGHT THINK IT'S TOO LATE FOR ME TO BE TELLING YOU THIS NOW,
BUT THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO APOLOGIZE FOR, TOO.
I GOT CLOSE TO YOU THINKING I'D GAIN SOME POINTS BECAUSE YOU'RE AN S-CLASS KID, KAIDOU-KUN.
WHAT IS IT?
I SEE.
IT'S OKAY. DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

WHAT'S IMPORTANT IS WHETHER WE'LL FORM A GOOD RELATIONSHIP AFTER THAT...

STUFF LIKE THAT'S HAPPENED TO ME A LOT UP UNTIL NOW...
Kaidou-chan, wait up
THAT WAS JUST THE TRIGGER.
They say it's okay since I'm rich.

Y-Yeah-
Haha

...RIGHT?


BUT NOW THAT I'VE SORTED OUT MY FEELINGS LIKE THIS, I FINALLY CAME TO FEEL THAT I WANT TO BE YOUR FRIEND.
EVEN I HAD THOUGHT IT WAS NICE HOW YOU LOOK LIKE A GIRL,

I'M USED TO HEARING YOUR NATURAL VOICE, BUT YOUR BUSINESS VOICE? UP UNTIL NOW HAS REALLY MADE YOU SOUND LIKE A GIRL TOO,
YEAH, I WAS REALLY SURPRISED AT FIRST.
I SEE.
SO TO BE HONEST, MY HEART WAS POUNDING ALL UP UNTIL AUTUMN.
IT'S ALL RIGHT...
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IT'S ALL RIGHT...FOR YOUR HEART TO BE POUNDING NOW, TOO.

THAT'D BE OKAY TOO, BUT INSTEAD OF YOU AND I JUST HAVING A RELATIONSHIP WHERE MY HEART IS POUNDING,
HAHA...
I WANT US TO BE FRIENDS WHO CAN SPEND MUCH MORE TIME TOGETHER.

IT MAY ALSO BE THAT I WANT TO HANG OUT WITH YOU BECAUSE YOU'RE CUTE WHEN YOU'RE CROSS-DRESSING,
BUT WHAT I REALIZED IS THAT YOUR CHARM IS MORE THAN JUST THAT.
IF MY HEART STILL POUNDS EVEN IF YOU WERE TO CUT YOUR HAIR AND STOP WEARING SKIRTS, I THINK I COULD SAY THAT AGAIN AT THAT TIME.
BUT EVEN SO...
THAT'S DEFINITELY A PRECISE ANSWER IN REGARD TO MY FEELINGS UP UNTIL NOW ABOUT "NOT WANTING SOMEONE TO TAKE AN INTEREST IN ME JUST BECAUSE OF MY LOOKS".

DOES THIS MEAN HE'S TURNING ME DOWN?
HUH...!? I'M THINKING ABOUT GETTING TURNED DOWN!?
NO, THAT'S NOT IT. HE'S...
BUT THAT'S ALL HE CAN DO!
POSTPONING HIS ANSWER.
KAIDOU-KUN GAVE THAT ANSWER TO RESPECT THE BELIEFS AND PRIDE THAT I'VE AMASSED.

Whew
H/M...? YEAH, YOU'RE RIGHT!
YAEZAKI-SAN...?
THIS FINE LINE BETWEEN FRIEND-SHIP AND
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NATSUME...I UNDERSTAND HOW YOU FEEL NOW.

STOP IT! IT'S WHAT ANY FRIEND WOULD DO...
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FRIENDS...? YEAH...! BUT...

THANKS FOR BEING CONSIDERATE OF ME.

IT'S PLEASANT AND FRUSTRATING...
I WONDER WHAT TIME IT IS NOW.
WE LEFT THE DORMS LATE, SO IT MIGHT BE PRETTY LATE NOW.
THERE'S NOTHING MUCH TO DO, SO LET'S GO TO SLEEP.
OKAY.
BUT I MUST SAY...
THE MOON IS SO BRIGHT.
YEAH, IT'S PRETTY.

COME TO THE HEAD-MASTER'S OFFICE LATER!
WHAAAT !?

HEY YOU GUYS.
I THOUGHT WE GOT YELLED AT ENOUGH ALREADY, THOUGH.
URGH... ANOTHER LECTURE?

HUH!? NO... NOTHING HAPP-ENED!
REALLY! I SWEAR!
YEAH!
HMM...

DID SOMETHING HAPPEN WITH YOU TWO TOGETHER ALL NIGHT?
PFFT!

DID ANY GHOSTS SHOW UP?
NOPE! NONE! THERE WEREN'T ANY GHOSTS OR THINGS LIKE THAT!
EVEN THOUGH IT ONLY HAPPENED JUST 10 HOURS AGO, IT FEELS LIKE IT'S REALLY DISTANT.

WINTER'S ALMOST HERE.

THE TIME WE CAN SPEND TOGETHER IS SHORT WHILE SEEMINGLY FEELING LONG.

I'LL REFLECT ON THE MEANING OF THE WORDS I RECEIVED YESTERDAY.

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